

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

JANUARY 4, 2016

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

PRAYER: Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, Brian Sheehan, and Student Advisor, Makayla Herbert answered roll call.

PUBLIC HEARING: **Adoption of City Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Control Ordinance -** Shelly Wakefield asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. Conner made a motion to close the public hearing. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Bridges made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting as presented. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Pavey reported the following:

1. Met with Umbaugh on the 21st to discuss financing for City Center and Cherry Street.
2. Met on the 22nd regarding an employment package for the APC/BZA Director.
3. On the 30th interviews were conducted for the APC/BZA Administrative Assistant. Bryant will meet with the top candidate to offer the position.
4. The swearing-in ceremony for the City elected officials was held on the 1st.
5. Met with Andrea from Butler Fairman on the 16th Street drainage. We will meet again on the 14th. We will also meet with the property owners on the 21st to discuss options.
6. Next Monday open gym will begin at 8:00 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club.
7. The next HCI meeting will be on the 6th.
8. Bryant Neihoff will begin his duties on the 11th.
9. The State of the City will be on the 12th.
10. Will be attending the county council meeting to discuss the food and beverage tax for a county wide tax.
11. The High School suicide prevention program is scheduled for the 18th.
12. We have a Stellar meeting on the 20th.
13. Changing Footprints Trivia Night is on the 30th.
14. The Heart of Rushville Celebrity Roast is February 20, featuring Brian Sheehan.
15. There will be a meeting to make the Flatrock retention pond a legal drain on the 8th at 10:30.

16. The north side foundation for the Farmers Market is in.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: Clerk-Treasurer Copley said the DLGF approved the 2016 budget with a reduction in the Rainy Day Fund of \$49,564.00 leaving a balance of \$125,436.00.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – They are booking opening acts.
- **Marketing** – Shelly King is ready to meet.
- **APC/BZA** – Wrapping up.
- **City Center** – Discussed.
- **Cherry Street** – The engineers should be here the 19th.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police – Chief Tucker said they are working on the annual statistics report.

He said each officer is required to have 24 hours of training per year. Our officers averaged 8 hours per month.

Tucker said the reserves are required 20 hours of activity per month. Our reserves averaged 24 hours.

Tucker informed Council that the downtown parking ordinance has been effective, however, it is pooling at the old bank lot across from the Princess. He will discuss a temporary no parking sign with the property owner.

Park – Park Director Gurley said pool interviews are currently underway.

There will be a public meeting regarding the Park master plan January 7th at 4:00 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club.

The remodeling has begun at Booker T.

Gurley said he is working to get the City's website updated to include more park/pool information.

Pavey said Gurley put together a package for a movie at the pool for the Community Foundation that raised \$500.00.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Waggoner Pool** – We are ready to begin the plumbing.
2. **Ordinance 2016-1 Adoption of Zoning Ordinance** - Shelly Wakefield said a favorable recommendation was received from the APC. Bridges made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-1. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **2016-2 Subdivision Control Ordinance** - A favorable recommendation was received from the APC regarding the adoption of the Subdivision Control Ordinance. Bridges made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-2. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fee Schedule – Smith made a motion to approve the APC/BZA fee schedule. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. **Food and Beverage Tax** – Mayor Pavey will be discussing the food and beverage tax with the county council. Bridges asked who would control the funds. Pavey said he was not sure that will depend on how the legislation is written.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Encumbrances for 2016** – Sheehan made a motion to approve the encumbrances for 2016 as presented. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Contract for City Services (Charitable and Service Organizations)** - The contracts are being prepared for 2016.
3. **Transfer Resolution 2016-1** – Sheehan made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-1. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Transfer Resolution 2016-2 Rainy Day** – Sheehan made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-2. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **Discuss Meeting Dates and Times** – Meeting dates and times will remain the same.
6. **Attorney Contract** – Berkemeier prepared a report. The Mayor will review.
7. **Department Head Liaisons** – The Department Head Liaisons will remain the same.

8. Appointments:

Mayor:

- a. Alcohol Beverage Board - David Payne

- b. Park Board – Same as current.
- c. Redevelopment Board – Gary Cameron, with the 2nd person to be named.
- d. Historic Board – Same as current.
- e. Fiber Optics Board – Mayor and Chris Burkhart.
- f. Joint Planning and Zoning Governing Board – Just made.
- g. APC/BZA – Just made.

City Council:

- a. Council President – Bob Bridges
- b. ECDC Appointment – Bob Bridges
- c. Solid Waste – Brian Conner
- d. Fiber Optics Board – Craig Smith
- e. Joint Planning and Zoning Governing Board – Bob Bridges
- f. APC/BZA – Brad Berkemeier
- g. Redevelopment Commission – John Pavey and Ron Lienemann

CLAIMS APPROVAL: Conner made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before Council; Conner made a motion to adjourn. Berkemeier seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.